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MEMORANDUM TO: The Secretary of State

The Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

The Director of Central Intelligence /

The Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM: The Attorney General

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request to Declassify, in Whole or in Part, the FBI Foreign Intelligence and Foreign Counterintelligence Guidelines Issued Fursuant to Executive Order 11095

There is pending before me an appeal from an initial denial of a Freedom of Information Act request for the FBI Foreign Intelligence and Foreign Counterintelligence Guidelines. The appeal specifically requests that the Guidelines be declassified in whole or in part. Since the Guidelines affect, to some degree, the entire Intelligence Community I would appreciate your views as to whether declassification of all or part of the Guidelines is appropriate.

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